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--The invention provides a sound shielding element for protection from the propagation of sound from the noise area of a room or space into a neighbouring room or space. The sound shielding element comprises at least one panel or layer having a thickness of layer between 0.01 and 50 mm, particularly between 0.05 and 4 mm. Its perforations present an average diameter or an average width between 0.001 and 2 mm, particularly 0.01 and 0.7 mm, and a hole or perforation surface share, related to the total surface of the mounting parts - also referred to as hole/surface ratio" - between 0.001 and 20 %, particularly between 0.01 and 5 %, including the range 0.1 - 3 %, for instance.--

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--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

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--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT--

IN THE CLAIMS

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A7 Sub. B1
1. (Amended) Sound shielding element for protection from the propagation of sound from a noise area of a room or space into a neighbouring room or space, comprising:

at least one panel or layer; and
a plurality of small perforations formed in said at least one panel or layer;
wherein an average diameter or width of said perforations ranges between 0.001 and 2 mm and a hole/surface ratio ranges between 0.001 and 20 %.